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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Dear Sir:

We enclose three sheets of informal drawings showing corrections in red ink to Figures 5, 9 and 10 responsive to an office action mailed May 23, 2001, in the above matter. We also enclose three substitute sheets of informal drawings incorporating the corrections. In addition, please delete figures 7 and 8.

The corrections are:

Figure 5:

The axis labels and labels for each of the graph lines are enlarged.

Figure 9:

The figure is re-numbered to become Figure 7.

Figure 10:

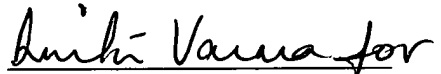
The entire graph, and particularly the labels, are enlarged.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Substitute Informal Drawings

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